Kiltearn Community Council

Minutes of Meeting



Held on Tuesday 30th May 2017, 7pm at Diamond Jubilee Hall

PRESENT

Members Hector Munro (HM) Chairman

Ralph Mercer (RM) Treasurer John McHardy (JMcH) Secretary

Cai MacIver (CM)

Michael MacLeod (MM) Shelagh Dennett (SD) Anne Mcdonald (AM)

Highland Councillors Cllr. Maxine Smith (Cllr. MS)

Cllr. Pauline Munro (Cllr. PM)

<u>Item</u> <u>Discussion</u> <u>Action</u>

- 1 Apologies/Welcome
- 1.1 Apologies were noted from Cllr. Mike Finlayson and Sgt Calum Smith.
- 1.2 Cllr. Pauline Munro was welcomed to the meeting and introduced to the members of the CC.
- 2 Previous Minutes/Matters arising
- 2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 25 April 2017 were agreed, proposed by CM and seconded by MM.
- 2.2 A number of items arising were discussed:-

Painting the handrails to the Skiach bridge. Noted that there would be health and safety issue to be considered should any panels be removed. Agreed to discuss further with Cllr M F.

HM

Parking at School. It was reported that the bollards provided by Police Scotland have been reasonably successful in limiting inconsiderate parking. However, SD commented that she had found it necessary to reminded (on 2 occasions) drivers that they must not park in beside the bollards.

Community Works Officer. Noted that there have been staff

changes within the Council and it was suggested that the appropriate officer be asked to attend a meeting at some future date.

Traffic Speed within the Village. It was explained that a "20 is Plenty" scheme is advisory and not enforceable, whilst a 20 MPH zone is. Cllr MS described the proposal to enact a 20MPH order within an area of Invergordon. It was agreed to respond to the current consultation which seeks views on how traffic speed should be controlled within urban areas.

HM/ JMcH

Notice Board. Agreed to widen scope of proposal to include consideration of a notice board opposite the School (as well as a replacement at the Shop).

JMcH

- 3 Diamond Jubilee Hall
- 3.1 Noted that a Hall light requires attention.

AM

- 3.2 H M reported that HISEZ had confirmed that they had received communication from both ES&EG and ECT and that they would report back as previously agreed. It was reported that it was hoped that information would be available for the AGM.
- 4 Councillor's Report.

Councillors Maxine Smith and Pauline Munro reported back on a number of issues including.

- 4.1 **Community Works Officers.** Noted that roads would be separated from other issues with Gary Urquhart leading on roads and Ingrid of other issues.
- 4.2 **Highland Council Committees.** Reported that the Committee structure has been agreed which will be:-
 - Audit and Scrutiny Committee
 - Corporate Resources Committee
 - People Committee
 - Places Committee
 - North and South Planning Review Committees
- 4.3 **Old School House.** Reported that no decisions had yet been taken in relation to future uses.

The Councillors were thanked for her attendance and the work they undertake on behalf of the Community. Cllr Smith left the meeting at this point.

- 5 Communication Received.
- 5.1 **Enterprising Village Halls.** An invite had been received to an event

intended to be an opportunity to share visions communities have for community spaces. The event will be held on 28 June and is fully funded by HIE. It was agreed that AM and HM would represent the KCC and that the invite would be circulated to ES&EG and ECT.

HM/AM

- Recruiting and Working with Consultants. It was reported that HISEZ have arranged a lunchtime meeting that will provide an opportunity to discuss the issues around procurement and management. The event, which is free, will be held on Tuesday 20th June between 12 and 2.30. The event will be held in the HISEZ office, Church Street, Inverness. The Secretary has circulated an e-mail with a link to the booking office.
- 6.3 **Seafarers UK.** The organisation "Seafarers" has invited communities to acknowledge the work and bravery of the Merchant Navy Service by flying the Red Ensign on the 3rd of September. AM offered to organise through ES&EG. The Scouts commented that they may be able to assist with a flag pole.

AM

6.4 **CFPA.** The Port Authority has invited groups to respond to a questionnaire. RM offered to respond on behalf of the KCC.

RM

6.5 **Community Benefit – RWE.** It was noted that a response is outstanding in terms of conditions attached to payments. RM will circulate initial letter/email - response to be agreed.

HM RM JMcH

- 6.6 **ROCK Challenge.** RM reported that he had received an e-mail of thanks from the Alness Academy group which had been awarded a grant from the KCC.
- 7 Finance.
- 7.1 RM confirmed that draft accounts for the year up to 31 March 2017 should be available for the AGM.
- 7.2 Noted that KCC receive 100% relief from Non-Domestic Rates for the D J Hall.
- 7.3 RM tabled **5** grant applications.
 - 1 **Senior Citizen's Dinner.** ES&EG have made a retrospective application seeking £200, towards a cost of £400, to meet part of the cost of running an event earlier in the year. **Agreed**.

RM

2 **Bus to UHI HUB.** The School Parent Council has made an application seeking £500, towards a cost of £1,000, to meet part of the cost of travel for pupils from the Primary School. **Agreed**.

RM

3 **Kiltearn Fiddlers**. A request has been made seeking £300, towards a cost of £3,300, to meet part of the cost of a trip to Orkney. HM

declared an interest (non-financial). Agreed.

RM

4 **Senior Citizen's Outing.** ES&EG had made an application seeking £930 towards the cost of an outing in September. Application was agreed in principle with a request made for additional information on the total costs. ES&EG, Secretary and Chair in attendance at the meeting, were invited to supply information after which a decision will be confirmed following further consideration (by e-mail).

AM

5 **Evanton Nursery.** The group had requested £411.06 towards meeting the cost of replacement equipment. Noted that the group had supplied detailed quotes demonstrating that the proposal is best value. **Agreed**.

RM

- New Applications. It was agreed that no further application should be considered pending a review of policy. However, it was confirmed that an application would be considered from the Scout Group (given that they had made and enquiry and were developing an application). It was agreed that KCC should review the policies around grant and that this would be discussed, in the first instance, at a meeting that will be held on 13 June.
- 8 Village Groups
- 8.1 **Evanton Social and Events Group.** Reported on the very well received Cycle event and that the Gala is due to be held on 3 June.
- 8.2 **Evanton Community Trust.** Reported the footpath project is progressing towards completion.
- 8.3 **Evanton Community Wood Company.** A written report had been circulated that highlighted recent works to the wall at the pond etc.
- 9 Other Business
- 9.1 **Village Officer.** Cllr MF had raised the possibility of sponsoring a village officer. Agreed to consider at a future meeting.
- 9.2 **Playpark at Teandallon.** Concerns were raised over the condition of the park and in particular the equipment. Cllr PM offered to raise with the Council.

Cllr PM

- 9.3 **AGM**. Agreed as 20th June.
- 9.4 **Promotion.** Agreed to publish names of KCC Members on the notice board (after AGM).

J McH

9.5 **Nursery Table.** Agreed that the large tables can be stored in the KCC store behind the Sports Centre.

9.6 **Flue Vaccine.** KCC were pleased to support AM in her aim to set up an event to be held in the Village.

AM

9.7 **Future meetings.** Next meeting agreed as Tuesday 20th June 2017, following AGM at the Diamond Jubilee Hall. Agreed that future meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (commencing Sept 17)

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00